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THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000
CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000
CAPITAL UNCALLED " 6,000,000
RESERVE FUND " 9,210,000

Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches and Agencies.

TOKIO. KOBE.
NAGASAKI. LONDON.
LYONS. NEW YORK.
SAN FRANCISCO. HONOLULU.
BOMBAY. SHANGHAI.
TIENSIN. NEWCHWANG.
PEKING.

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LD.
PARIS BANK, LD.
THE UNION OF LONDON AND
SMITHS BANK, LD.

HONGKONG BRANCH—INTEREST ALLOWED.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [21]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL \$10,000,000
RESERVE FUND \$16,000,000
Sterling Reserve \$10,000,000
Silver Reserve \$6,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, \$10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
A. J. RAYMOND, Esq., Chairman.
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Hongkong—J. R. M. SMITH.

Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS.

LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.
HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 1/2 per cent. per Annum.
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. [22]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3 1/2 PER CENT. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1903. [23]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital \$1,000,000
Paid up Capital \$374,374

HEAD OFFICE—HONGKONG.

Board of Directors—
Chan Kit Shan, Esq., J. Scott Harston, Esq.
Chow Tung Shing, Esq., J. J. Lau, Esq.
Chief Manager,
GEO. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed 5 %
Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [24]

THE DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

PAID-UP CAPITAL Sh. Tael 5,000,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: BERLIN.

BRANCHES: Hankow
Tientsin
Tsingtau (Kiautschou)

LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD & SONS,
UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.
DEUTSCHE BANK (BERLIN), LONDON AGENCY
DIREKTION DER DISCONTO GESELLSCHAFT.

INTEREST allowed on Current Account.
DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.
H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [25]

TO LET.

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE in FLATS.
No. 4, RIFON TERRACE.
No. 15, WONG NEI CHONG ROAD, facing Race Course.
FLATS in MORETON TERRACE, facing Polo Ground.

OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near BLAKE PIER).
GODOWN No. 3A, BLUE BUILDINGS.
GODOWNS: PRAYA EAST.

Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [26]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band during dinner on Saturday Nights.

Hongkong, 4th December, 1903. [26]

GUARANTY TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK

(AMERICAN BANK).

ESTABLISHED 1864.

PAID UP CAPITAL U.S. Gold \$2,000,000
SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS \$5,180,000

Gold \$7,180,000

Head Office—NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:

33 and 35, Lombard Street, E.C.

F. C. Bishop, Manager, Eastern Department.

LONDON BANKERS:

PARR'S BANK, LIMITED.

HONGKONG OFFICE:

4, DES VŒUX ROAD.

General Banking and Exchange business transacted.

INTEREST ALLOWED:

On Current Accounts at 2 1/2 per annum.

On Fixed Deposits:

For 3 months 2 1/2 per annum.

" 6 " 3 1/2 "

" 12 " 4 1/2 "

E. F. GROS,
Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [27]

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

CAPITAL, SURPLUS AND UNDIVIDED PROFITS, GOLD \$7,992,173.37—about £1,640,000.

CAPITAL AND SURPLUS AUTHORIZED GOLD \$10,000,000—£2,055,000.

HEAD OFFICE:

1, WALL STREET, NEW YORK.

LONDON OFFICE:

THREADENEEDLE HOUSE, E.C.

BRANCHES AT:

SAN FRANCISCO, WASHINGTON,

MEXICO, MANILA, SHANGHAI, SINGAPORE, YOKOHAMA, BOMBAY, CALCUTTA

AND AGENTS ALL OVER THE WORLD

LONDON AND CONTINENTAL BANKERS:

NATIONAL PROVINCIAL BANK OF ENGLAND, LIMITED.

UNION OF LONDON AND SMITHS BANK, LTD.

CREDIT LYONNAIS, DRESDENER BANK, COMPTOIR NATIONAL D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS, &c.

THE Corporation transacts every Description of Banking and Exchange Business, receives Money in Current Account and issues Fixed Deposit Receipts either in Gold or Silver at Rates which may be ascertained on Application.

HONGKONG BRANCH:

20, DES VŒUX ROAD CENTRAL.

CHARLES R. SCOTT,
Manager.

Hongkong, 14th December, 1903. [19]

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

Shanghai Tael.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL 5,000,000

PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

Branches and Agencies.

CANTON. PENANG.

CHEFOO. SINGAPORE.

HANKOW. TIENSIN.

PEKING.

THE Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and Sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers Payable at its Branches and Agencies.

HONGKONG BRANCH.

Advances made on approved securities. Bills discounted.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS.

3 1/4 per annum Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

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THE DUTCH EAST INDIES.

HOW THE AFFAIRS OF THE ARCHIPELAGO ARE ADMINISTERED.

Recently a statement went the rounds of the press to the effect that "in the Dutch East Indies there is a law which provides that the testimony of one white man shall be equal to that of seven natives." A Hollandish subscriber of the *S. F. Chronicle* has taken the pains to make a personal investigation for the purpose of ascertaining whether there existed any grounds for such a statement, as the racial discrimination which it implied appeared to be entirely at variance with the humane principles upheld by the Dutch Government. He has discovered that no such law exists. It is, therefore, plain that whoever originated the report must have been prompted by some motive unfriendly to the Dutch administration of their possessions in the East Indies. The only ground for the charge of racial discrimination is that the Dutch in their colonial possessions treat natives and Europeans as two distinctive classes. That prevails, however, in many of the British colonies and in the Indian empire, and also in the insular possessions of the United States. But the Dutch do not carry this class distinction to the extent of discriminating against a native when testifying in a court of justice. There his sworn evidence is accepted on an equality with that of any other race.

As regards this unwarranted charge of racial discrimination is the testimony of A. Kensington, a former Under Secretary in British India, who visited Java in 1889. "There is much to be admired," says Mr. Kensington, "in the successful administration of the country. And although it is nothing unusual to hear the Dutch Government unfavourably criticised by the English at Singapore, and by certain classes of the European population of Java, it is very doubtful if the grievances about oppression, heavy taxation and corruption are founded on facts. If this were true, it would be difficult to explain the general prosperity and evident contentment of both Europeans and natives. For that matter, the origin of some of the most serious accusations against the Dutch East Indian Government is only too well known and such statements should only be accepted under strict reserve." The evidence of Mr. Kensington is that of an unprejudiced and impartial observer and carries with it, therefore, great weight.

When General Leonard Wood recently visited Java he declared that he was much impressed by a good deal of what he saw, and believed that the American Government might study some of the features of Dutch colonial methods to advantage.

One of the evidences of the successful administration of the Dutch East India colonies is found in the fact that the population of Java and Madura increased from 4,615,000 in 1815 to 28,745,000 in 1900. Such an extraordinary increase of population is unequalled in the history of civilization.

The one blot on Dutch administration is the "culture system." This system was established by General Johannes Great Van den Briel in 1832. "It was based in principle," according to the Statesman's Year Book, "on the officially superintending labour of the natives, directed so as to produce not only a sufficiency of food for themselves, but a large quantity of colonial produce best suited for the European market." Although a compulsory form of human labour which curtailed the freedom of the individual, it had a beneficial purpose. The "culture system" as at first practiced, comprised the obligatory labour of the natives employed in the cultivation of coffee, sugar, indigo, pepper, tea, tobacco and other articles. The Government has, however, been gradually abolishing it. In 1870, for example, the Legislature of the Netherlands totally abolished the obligatory cultivation of the sugar cane. The "culture system" is now confined to the enforced cultivation of coffee only in certain parts of the archipelago. A resolution has been passed in the Second House of the Dutch States-General to the effect that the system shall be totally abolished. The difficulty which the Government is trying to overcome is contained in the adoption of a substitute for it as a source of revenue, taxation in any form being exceedingly objectionable in Oriental countries.

The administration of the affairs of the Dutch East Indies is evidently economically conducted. Per capita taxation is only about \$1.69 per annum. Of this only 44 cents is obtained by direct taxation. Then, again, the cost of all public works is paid out of current revenue; without recourse to loans. The trade of the Dutch colonies is open to all nations on an equal footing with the Dutch themselves. All differential duties in favour of The Netherlands were repealed January 1, 1874.

To be Let.

TO LET.

TWO ROOMS suitable for OFFICE use, Entrance from Ice House Street.

Apply to—
SECRETARY,
MASONIC HALL,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [151]

TO LET.

GROUND and FIRST FLOORS on No. 60, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, suitable for a Store and Office or Residence, Gas and Water laid on.

Apply at
SECOND FLOOR
on the Premises,
Hongkong, 15th January, 1904. [122]

TO LET.

FIRST and SECOND FLOORS of No. 34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, opposite the GENERAL POST OFFICE, after MARCH 31ST, 1904, at present occupied by Messrs. POWELL & CO. and the COMPTON HOUSE. This House is especially suitable for people who are seeking places for Hotel purposes.

Please apply to—
YEE SANG FAT,
at the above Address,
Hongkong, 20th December, 1903. [1153]

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Underigned will Let by PUBLIC AUCTION, on
MONDAY, the 25th January, 1904,
at 3 P.M., on the Spot,
The Several Lots Numbered 1 to 19 on Plan to be seen at the Auctioneers' Office, for erection of
BOOTH AND MATSHEDS
on the Government Ground adjoining the Race Course, North of the Grand Stand Enclosure.
TERMS:—Cash.
For Conditions of Sale, apply to—
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [148]

Consignees.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship
"MALTA"
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be signed out mark by mark, and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo:—
From London, &c., *ex S.S. Moldavia*,
From Persia Gulf, &c., *ex B. I. S. N.* and
B. & P. S. N. Co.'s Steamers.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary before 5 P.M., TO-DAY.
Goods not cleared by the 23rd instant, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me to any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees' and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.
E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent,
Hongkong, 16th January, 1904. [14]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "WYNERIC" FROM PUGET SOUND.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
DODWELL & CO., LIMITED,
Agents,
Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [12]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES OF CARGO per Steamship

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge and undelivered by FRIDAY, the 2nd instant, at 4 A.M., will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
J. STUART THOMSON,
Acting Agent,
Hongkong, 19th January, 1904. [11]

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"JELUNGA,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge or remaining on board after NOON, TO-MORROW, the 21st instant, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into Godowns at East Point.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [152]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.
THE Steamship

"LIGHTNING,"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding discharge will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 4 P.M. of the 22nd instant will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited.

Consignees of Cargo from SINGAPORE and PENANG are requested to take IMMEDIATE DELIVERY of their Goods from alongside; such Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LIMITED,
Agents,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [149]

Masonic.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE.

No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREEMASON'S HALL, 2nd and 3rd Floors, after MARCH 31ST, 1904, at 8.30 for 9 P.M., precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [1154]

Intimations.

THE ROBINSON PIANO CO. LTD.

HONGKONG, SHANGHAI, SINGAPORE.

CABIN PIANOS

AND

BABY ORGANS

GUARANTEED FOR CLIMATE.

THE NEWEST

RAG TIME MUSIC and BOOKS.

VICTOR TALKING MACHINES

HUMAN VOICE

SHIPS PIANO PLAYERS

\$450

CASH or CREDIT

Hongkong, 6th January, 1904. [39]

F. BLACKHEAD & CO.,
SHIP-CHANDLERS, SAILMAKERS,
COAL AND PROVISION MERCHANTS, NAVAL CONTRACTORS
AND GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.

16, DES VEXUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

SOLE AGENTS FOR
HARTMANN'S RAHTEN'S GENUINE
COMPOSITION RED HAND
BRAND, HARTMANN'S GREY PAINT,
DAIMLER'S PATENT MOTOR
LAUNCHES, &c., &c., &c.

Sole Agents for
FERGUSON'S SPECIAL-CREAM
and
P. & O. SPECIAL LIQUOR SCOTCH
WHISKY, &c.

EVERY KIND OF
SHIPS STORES AND REQUISITES
ALWAYS IN STOCK

AT
REASONABLE PRICES.
Hongkong, 15th December, 1903. [18]

DEUTSCHE WEINGESSELLSCHAFT
DUHR & CO., COELN.

STOCK ON HAND OF
AHRLEICHART, a red Abr Wine at \$18.50
GRAACHER, Moselle at \$16.50
LAUBENHEIMER, Hock at \$15.00
All per Case of 24 Quarts.
Price Reductions for Larger Orders.
GROSSMANN & CO.,
Hongkong, 20th January, 1904. [154]

MEE CHEUNG,
PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
Ice-House Road.

IS now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to supply, as heretofore, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED in the Colony or in any part of the Far East. GROUPS AND VIEWS a speciality.
Hongkong, 22nd September, 1903. [15]

THE AMERICAN SYSTEM OF DENTISTRY.

DR. M. H. CHAUN,
27, DES VEXUX ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG;
From the University of Pennsylvania, U.S.A.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904. [16]

THE HONGKONG STUDIO,
HIGHER CLASS PHOTOGRAPHER,
41 & 43, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
TOP FLOOR.

PORTRAITS, GROUPS and ENLARGING and COPYING in all Sizes.

LARGE SELECTION OF VIEWS ALWAYS ON HAND.

PRICE VERY MODERATE.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1903. [17]

TSU FAN, DENTIST.

PRICE MODERATE—CONSULTATION FREE.
Next to the Hongkong Dispensary,
50, Queen's Road, Central,
Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [16]

Intimation.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH.

1, ICE HOUSE ROAD,

HONGKONG.

CABLE ADDRESS.—Telegraph, Hongkong

THE leading English Newspaper in China
Also widely circulated in Japan, Ceylon, China, Ceylon, India and the Far East generally.

A daily newspaper with weekly edition published for despatch by the homeward mail. The daily is recommended as more generally suitable, except for subscribers in Europe or America.

A special feature is made of full and accurate reports of local occurrences, and of matters of general interest.

ADVERTISING DEPARTMENT.

The Hongkong Telegraph is the best medium for advertising in China. It circulates largely among all classes of the community, is the largest daily newspaper and has a wider circulation than any journal in the Far East.

Special attention given to effectively displaying advertisements.

The type used as a standard for setting advertisements is similar to this, unless we are instructed to display the advertisement, when any effective style of type will be adopted. This standard runs exactly eight lines to the inch, and about eight words to the line.

ADVERTISEMENT RATES.

(per inch.)

One week.....\$ 2.85
One month.....7.20
Two months.....13.00
Three ".....20.00
Six ".....37.50
Twelve ".....75.00
No charge less than one dollar.

Discount allowed on—
3 Months Contracts.....5 per cent.
6 ".....10 "
12 ".....25 "

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

Notices of Births, Deaths, and Marriages.
\$1 each insertion in the Daily and Weekly.

CONTRACT ADVERTISEMENTS.

Special Rates for standing advertisements can be ascertained from the Manager.

Advertisements for the Daily should reach the Hongkong Telegraph Office not later than noon of the day they are intended to appear.

Unless otherwise specified all advertisements will be repeated and charged for until countermanded.

PRINTING DEPARTMENT.

Job Printing of all descriptions undertaken.

PROGRAMMES, FANFLETS, CARDS, CIRCULARS, EXEMPTIONS.

All job printing is done under European supervision; well turned out, free from errors, and remarkably cheap.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH OFFICE.

Estimates given for all classes of work on application to

THE MANAGER.

HONGKONG TELEGRAPH CO., LTD.

1, Ice House Road,

Hongkong.

Mails.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
IYO MARU	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 26th Jan., at 4 P.M.
KUMANO MARU	KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan., at Noon.
TAMBA MARU	NAGASAKI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	WEDNESDAY, 27th Jan., at 4 P.M.
HITACHI MARU	KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	FRIDAY, 29th Jan., at Daylight.
AKI MARU	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBÉ and YOKOHAMA	TUESDAY, 9th Feb., at 4 P.M.
KAGOSHIMA MARU	BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE and COLOMBO	TUESDAY, 16th Feb., at Noon.

* Through Passenger Tickets issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the Option of Travelling by the Sanjo Railway.

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A. S. MIHARA

Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd January, 1904.

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NOTICE.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX,
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Hongkong, 14th January, 1904. [10]

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E. A. HEWETT,
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Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [14]

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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [97]

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VICTOR H. DEACON,
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1904. [68]

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TELEPHONE, 232.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1903.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 22, 1904

A NEW FRENCH COALING STATION.

According to the *Singapore Press*, two French financiers, the Marquis de Bertillon and Count Portalis, are about to establish a new coaling and trading station at Cam Rang, a small port in southern Annam. Our contemporary states that, apparently the idea is to emulate the comparatively new port at Sabang Bay on Pulo Way at the north end of Achene in Sumatra, and perhaps also to form a complement to that port as a coaling station. Thus French vessels, or Russian ships, might, after leaving Suez on their way to the Far East, call in succession, and coal at Jibouti, at Sabang Bay and at Cam Rang Bay; and so omitting Aden, Colombo, and Singapore, which are the main links in the British chain of coaling ports. The scheme has the good-will of the Government of Indo-China, which has marked its practical approval of the enterprise by remitting all dues and making Cam Rang Bay a free port. The bay affords excellent shelter to shipping at all times of the year. The entrance to the anchorage is bounded on the south side by Davaich Head, this is also called in the *Sailing Directions* False Cape Varela, from a certain resemblance to the better-known and more conspicuous Cape of that name. Islands adjacent to Davaich Head complete the shelter on the south, while to the north the Bay is shut in by the high island of Tagne. This entrance is called the large entrance, with 18 to 14 fathoms of water. There is another to the north, but narrow and with but seven or eight fathoms, and not advisable to use save in case of necessity. The bay itself has from 10 to 12 fathoms and is well protected from the sea by Tagne Island. The inner harbour, an extensive lagoon, is in the north of the Bay with an entrance about three quarters of a mile wide between two points of land. In 1883, Admiral Courbet reported to the French Authorities that there was sufficient space in Cam-Rang Bay to afford a safe anchorage for two fleets. It is situated in the province of Khanh-Hoa, of which the principal exports are salt, dried fish, cotton, timber, cattle, ivory, and bird's-nest. A mile or so from the coast the country becomes mountainous and is covered with dense forest. Big game is very plentiful; herds of wild elephants being frequently seen. Tigers are so numerous that it is dangerous to travel after dark. Two French functionaries, M.M. Benier and Montagne, were killed here by these animals. Coal, though of a poor quality, has been discovered at several points on this coast, and a mine is actually being worked at Tourane, a small port several miles further north. It would be an easy matter, however, to form stocks from the pits at Hongay, for these are only three days steam from Cam Rang. The new railway from Haiphong to Saigon, which is making rapid progress, will pass here, traversing an arm of the bay on a steel bridge nearly half a mile in length. The establishment of a port-of-call at Cam-Rang will be a vast enterprise requiring immense capital, but there exists few reasons why it should not be successful, above all if the French Government afford assistance to the promoters of the scheme.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The German mail of the 23rd December was delivered in London on the 21st inst.

The exemptions on Cuban sugar amount to \$6,000,000, while America secures 85 per cent. of the Cuban trade.

A COURT martial has severely reprimanded the captain and lieutenant in charge of H.M.S. *Flora*, which grounded on Deoman Island.

H. E. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., has kindly consented to distribute the prizes to the boys of the Diocesan School and Orphanage on Friday, the 29th inst., at noon.

FREETRADE, like every institution, said Mr. Chamberlain, required revision after a space of 60 years, especially when protective countries were invading the British market.

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SHAREHOLDERS in the West Point Building Co., Ltd., should note that the meeting on the 27th inst. will take place at 11.45 a.m. instead of 11.30 a.m. as previously notified.

AFTER an harangue of five hours, ex-General De La Rey succeeded in converting all but 10 of 500 Boer irrecconcilables, in India, and induced them to sign the oath of allegiance.

IN connection with the Kishineff trials, the evidence showed that the massacres were organised by many prominent citizens, who were not arrested on a charge of collusion.

THE Russians at Port Arthur sorely feel the absence of docks for their warships in Far Eastern waters, but especially in the vicinity of that port. The warships must soon foul their bottoms, and thus, having their speed retarded, would be unable in the event of war to venture far from their base.

A LEAGUE match will be played to-morrow on the Parsee ground against the R.A.M.C. The following will play for the Parsees: R. B. Cooper (Captain), B. K. Mehta, J. A. Chinoy, J. M. Master, J. N. Mehta, J. D. Naria, D. R. Captain, K. D. Mistry, P. Bejoni, C. B. Mowahalla, and J. Rutt nji.

THE permanent sugar commission at Brussels has applied to Australian sugar imported into the States which are parties to the Sugar Convention the following countervailing duties:—Raw sugar, 94 centimes per hundred kilograms; refined sugar, 562 francs per hundred kilograms. The British Government does not, of course, penalise imported colonial sugar by duties.

THE Japanese mail steamer *Kumano Maru*, which is noted for her remarkable steaming capabilities, established a record by completing the run from Brisbane to Sydney in the fast time of 29 hours 46 min., or 27 hours from Cape Moreton. Captain Butler was on his first trip in the *Kumano Maru*, having succeeded Captain Haswell, who remained behind to take charge of the new steamer *Nikko Maru*. The *Kumano Maru* left Hongkong on 4th ult.

By kind permission of Major Radcliff and officers the Band of the 93rd Borneo Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel to-morrow (Saturday) evening from 8 to 9.30 p.m.

BAND PROGRAMME.
March: "The Stars and Stripes for Ever" (Sousa).
Overture: "Der Koenig Liebeslust" (Emil T. L.).
Selection: "San Toy" (S. Sidney Jones).
Song: "Beloved, It is I" (M. J. P.).
Aylwe d.
Selection: "The Millard" (S. Sullivan).
Valse: "The Blue Danube" (S. Strauss).
Cake Walk: "Jolly Niggers" (Berg).
God save the King.

AT 2.30 a.m. on the 20th inst. four men, armed with knives, boarded a cargo-boat in Yaumatei Bay. They gagged an old Chinese woman who was sleeping on deck, and attacked the other occupants of the boat, a man and a boy. P. C. Atley, who was patrolling the harbour in a police boat, on hearing cries for assistance proceeded to the junk. The four thieves jumped into the water, but two of them were arrested and taken before Mr. Sercombe Smith this morning charged with attempted robbery with violence. The case was remanded till Monday next at 12 o'clock.

ON the 20th inst., at 9 p.m., Captain Dawson, of the *Tai Yuen* advised the Central Police Station that he had been robbed of a gold bangle and seven 10 yen notes. These articles had been stolen from his cabin. The police at Kowloon were advised at 10 p.m. and the case was entrusted to Detective Sergeant Wilken. At 1.30 a.m. this officer had succeeded in arresting the robbers, three of the ship's boys, and recovered the bangle and part of the money. This is a record piece of work, only 44 hours having elapsed from the time the complaint was made to the arrest of the thieves. The three boys were charged before Mr. Sercombe Smith yesterday morning. Two of them were sent to prison for six months, and the third was discharged.

SERIOUS COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

A STEAM-LAUNCH SUNK.

A collision took place about four o'clock this morning, between the Chinese passenger launches *Tai Li* and *Lee Chung* on the Kowloon side of the harbour. The *Lee Chung* was on its way with passengers to Tai Cheung via Hungshom, and the *Tai Li* was coming from Shaikwan. The boats were off the Kowloon Water-Police Wharf when the collision took place, the *Lee Chung* striking the *Tai Li* abaft of the funnel. Both boats were going at full speed, and the last mentioned sank within five minutes. Inspector Langley, on hearing the cries of the passengers on board the sinking vessel, put off in No 6 police-pinnace, of which P. C. 25 was in charge, and rescued a considerable number of the Chinese, who were struggling in the water. The *Lee Chung*, which had put about after the accident, also saved a good many of the *Tai Li*'s passengers. A cutter from H.M.S. *Leviathan* arrived on the scene of the collision shortly afterwards, but was too late to render any assistance, as all the immersed natives had been taken aboard. The *Tai Li* sank close to the police-wharf, the masts being visible above the water.

The Acting Harbour Master has issued a notice to the effect that the sunken steamer is situated about 600 feet from Paddy's Wall, Kowloon. Time ball bearing light, north. A red flag is displayed over her during daylight and at night a red lamp will be shown. The obstructions to be removed as speedily as possible.

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THE RACE MEETING.

THE HONGKONG DERBY.

Mr. T. F. Hough, Clerk of the Course, has kindly sent us a copy of the official programme for the three days' races of the forthcoming annual meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club. The following are the entries for the Hongkong Derby to be run on the 23rd prox.:

THE HONGKONG DERBY.—A sweepstakes of \$50 each with \$1,500 added. (Half forfeit if declared on or before day of closing entries.) For China ponies, *bona fide* griffins on date of entry. First pony to receive 70 per cent.; second 20 per cent.; and third 10 per cent. Weight for inches as per scale. One mile and a half.

1—Mr. Buxey's ex. La France Rose
2—Do. ex. Cornet Rose
3—Do. ex. Liberty Rose
4—Do. ex. Marchal Neil Rose
5—Mr. E. G. ex. Nares
6—Mr. Ellis's Kadourie's ex. Chieftain
7—Do. ex. Mountaineer
8—Mr. Ranick's ex. Once More
9—Mr. J. H. Lewis's ex. Aladdin
10—Do. ex. Regret
11—Mr. G. B. Macdonald's ex. Go Bang
12—Mr. Marshall's ex. Discovery
13—Mr. Godfrey Master's ex. Dormouse
14—Mr. John Peel's ex. mbl. g. Rex
15—Do. ex. Royal
16—Mr. Simpson's ex. Thisle
17—Mr. Wayfoong's ex. Persistence
18—Mr. Wheeling's ex. Protection
19—Mr. Wingard's ex. Quebec
20—Messrs. Wingard & Co's ex. Doris Castle

THE VALLEY STAKES.

Following are the entries for these stakes to be run the same day:—
THE VALLEY STAKES.—A sweepstakes of \$10 each with \$300 added. Winner to receive 70 per cent.; Second 20 per cent.; and Third 10 per cent. For China ponies, subscription griffins of this season 1903-1904. Weight for inches as per scale. Three quarters of a mile.

1—Mr. A. V. Apar's ex. b. Mahila
2—Mr. Armand's ex. c. Modesty
3—Mr. A. Dainton's ex. w. Rocket
4—Do. ex. Turbine
5—Mr. E. A. Honner's ex. c. Clifton
6—Mr. Buxey's ex. g. Marchal Niel Rose
7—Do. ex. cr. Sylph Rose
8—Do. ex. b. Pink Rose
9—Mr. Canada's ex. br. Tai Yat
10—Mr. Christian's ex. cr. Zuffall
11—Do. ex. g. Peck
12—Mr. Darius's ex. b. Eclipse
13—Do. ex. skd. Talbot
14—Mr. W. Domich's ex. c. Growler
15—Do. ex. g. Kid
16—Mr. Dowding's ex. g. Panjandrum
17—Mr. Hammon's ex. spd. Waisenknabe
18—Mr. J. Scott Harston's ex. c. Videlicet
19—Mr. Hart Nuck's ex. pbd. Herschel II
20—Do. ex. g. Good-bye
21—Mr. Heady's ex. g. Powder-Puff
22—Mr. E. H. Hinds's ex. mbl. gr. Donzoline
23—Mr. Johnston's ex. g. Border Laird
24—Mr. Ellis Kadourie's ex. c. Teetotum
25—Do. ex. w. Mountaineer
26—Mr. J. H. Lewis's ex. d. Angoose
27—Do. ex. w. Alarm
28—Do. ex. g. Satry
29—Mr. Lola's ex. g. Colonist
30—Do. ex. g. Emigrant
31—Mr. D. Macdonald's ex. g. The Baillie
32—Do. ex. br. The Elder
33—Mr. C. B. Macdonald's ex. g. Go Bang
34—Mr. F. B. Marshall's ex. w. Disclosure
35—Mr. Godfrey Master's ex. c. Mince Pie
36—Do. ex. c. Lumberer
37—His Excy. F. H. May's ex. d. Yellow Skin
38—Mr. Medico's ex. g. Culex
39—Mr. Meiford's ex. d. Standard
40—Mr. E. W. Mitchell's ex. g. Lord Algy
41—Capt. Nugent & Mr. Dowding's ex. skd. Snark
42—Mr. Paul's ex. c. Fiscal
43—Mr. John Peel's ex. g. Ca Cannay
44—Do. ex. c. Havers
45—Major Radcliff's ex. Arranapogue
46—Do. ex. g. Mabokibui
47—Mr. Rolson's ex. spd. Reed Torrie
48—Mr. C. H. Ross's ex. d. Ben Roy
49—The Pais' ex. pbd. Chuntaqua
50—Mr. Tremearne's ex. g. Fun
51—Messrs. Veitch & Hunter's ex. g. Glenmarkie
52—Do. ex. c. Zagoba
53—Mr. Wayfoong's ex. c. Persistence
54—Mr. Wheeling's ex. b. Fair Trade
55—Do. ex. b. Retaliation

MISSIONARY WORK IN CHINA.

H. E. Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., presided last evening at the annual meeting of the Church Missionary Association and introduced to the large gathering present, Bishop Ridley who gave an account of missionary effort in Caledonia. The Bishop of Victoria spoke of similar work in China, after which the committee of the Association was re-elected. In connection with the work in the mission field of the Far East, it is interesting to note that an appeal has recently been sent to England from an important conference at Kuling, Central China, attended by some hundred and fifty missionaries connected with the principal European and American societies, urging that the number of missionaries in that country may be doubled by 1907, the centenary year of the introduction by the London Missionary Society of Protestant missions into the Celestial Empire. The conference decided to lay before the home Churches a scheme for a three-years' enterprise in preparation for the approaching interesting anniversary. It will be remembered that the deputation from the Missionary Society to its China stations, consisting of the Rev. George Cousins, joint foreign secretary, and the Rev. W. Bolton, a member of the directorate, have recently visited Hongkong and Canton, and have been at Shanghai and Hankow. Without exception, all the society's stations in China are included in the itinerary of the tour, and Mr. Cousins and his colleague expect to reach Peking in April, and to spend some little time there.

THE KING'S ACCESSION.

The third anniversary of the King's Accession was recognised in Hongkong to-day when the warships and many of the mercantile vessels in harbour were dressed. A royal salute was fired at noon.

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PROPERTY SALE.

There was a large attendance of Chinese and others at Messrs. Hughes & Hough's auction rooms this afternoon when two lots of property in the Colony were put up for sale by public auction. The properties comprise five houses in Ping On Lane, and two each on Morrison Hill Road and Bowington Street. Those in Ping On Lane were sold as Lot 1, and are described as the valuable messages and premises known as Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Ping On Lane situated on Inland Lot No. 1,008, which are held for the residue of a term of 940 years created by the Crown Lease thereof. The Crown rent payable in respect thereof is \$22. Mr. Wong Lai Sam started bidding at \$5,000, which was covered by one of \$6,000. The next successive biddings were \$6,025, \$7,000, \$7,500, \$8,000, followed by two others of \$100 each, \$8,150, \$8,300, \$8,325, \$8,500, and by bids of \$100 to \$8,800, \$9,000 to \$9,300 by bids of \$50, then \$9,500 to \$9,800 by \$100, this being offered by two bidders one of whom yielded upon his opponent advancing to \$10,000. At this figure the property was knocked down to Mr. Wong Cheong Chi.

The same gentleman was the purchaser of Lot 2, set down in the particulars of sale as the valuable messages known as Nos. 25 and 27, Morrison Hill Road and Nos. 33 and 35, Bowington Street situated on R.P. of Inland Lot No. 1,313, which are held for the residue of a term of 986 years created by a Crown Lease thereof. The proportion of Crown rent payable in respect of this lot is \$31.50. The first offer made was one of \$8,500. The next \$9,000 which gave place to one of \$9,050. From \$9,100 to \$10,000, at which the four houses were sold, the buildings rose by \$100 at a time, Mr. W. Lysaught being the contestant against the purchaser. The vendors were represented at the sale by their solicitors, Messrs. Denny & Bowley.

"JAPAN WILL BE SEVERELY THRASHED."

OPINIONS OF A RUSSIAN MERCHANT.

"CLOUDS OF COSSACKS."

Among the passengers by the *Kumano Maru*, which arrived in Sydney recently, was a Russian merchant who has been for 40 years in business in Vladivostok, and to a representative of the *Daily Telegraph* recently he made some remarks of exceptional interest in regard to the trouble between Russia and Japan.

"I don't mind, however, telling you in a general way," he said, "how things are going. War is practically inevitable, and we expect it to break out about next March or April—that will be in the spring. The longer it is deferred the better it will be for us, for we are daily adding to our army and navy in the Far East. Every train from Russia brings us more troops; almost every day fresh battleships arrive."

"I really don't know what Japan thinks she is going to gain by fighting us. She hasn't the remotest chance of winning. For the sake of argument, suppose she did win? What would she get? Nothing. If the Japanese attack Vladivostok, but I think it is impossible for them to do so, they may destroy a lot of fortifications, but they can't do much more. As to destroying our fleet—well, that is a task that is beyond them."

"Now we have the Trans-Siberian railway, Russia can keep a war going as long as she likes, and it will cost Japan millions of money. The Japanese apparently have no idea as to Russia's strength. The only fighting they have done has been against Chinese, and they will find it vastly different when they tackle us. Japan will get a fearful severe thrashing!"

"In addition to our standing armies in the East, we can call up, in a moment almost, clouds of Cossacks—the finest fighting men in the whole world. They are settled—thousands and thousands of them—all along the frontier and the seaboard, ostensibly as farmers. But each man is a soldier, and you know what sort of fighting men the Cossacks are. If Japan landed an army in Manchuria it would, the moment it lost touch with the fleet, be annihilated by the Cossacks."

"No, Russia is not likely to evacuate Manchuria, because of the very great interests she has there, and of the millions she has spent in improving the country. Manchuria virtually belongs to Russia now. And Korea is going to belong to her shortly. The Koreans want us to take over their country. There are hundreds of thousands of Koreans settled in the Amur district, in our territory. We have given them land for agricultural purposes for nothing, and are treating them well, and those people are exercising strong influence in favour of the annexation of Korea by Russia."

In further conversation the visitor stated that he considered it would be impossible for Japan to blockade Vladivostok or Port Arthur with the fleet at its disposal. Russia had strongly fortified Port Arthur, also Dalny. The Russian navy was unquestionably superior to the Japanese, and its fast cruisers would destroy Japan's commercial fleet. Regarding the Chinese, he believed they would side with Russia.

FOOTBALL.

1ST ROUND SHIELD TIE.

To-morrow afternoon on the Happy Valley the Hongkong Football Club will play Naval Yard. Kick-off at 4 p.m. The following will play for the Club: F. H. Kew, goal; H. C. Austen and W. G. Worcester, backs; H. C. Gray, J. W. C. Bonnar, and J. D. Danby, halves; W. H. Williams, C. R. S. Cooper, R. Hancock, R. A. Whitmore, and H. A. Brent, forwards.

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TELEGRAMS.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

THE CRISIS.

ARMY DIVISIONS MOBI- LISED.

EARLY MOVEMENT EXPECTED.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

YOKOHAMA, 22nd January, 11.20 a.m.

According to the *Miyako*, it is reported that the first, second, fifth and eleventh Army Divisions, together with their Reserves, are expected to receive orders, at an early date, to proceed to a destination which has not yet been made public.

JAPAN PERSISTENT.

MAINTAINS INTEGRITY OF KOREA.

MANCHURIA FOR CHINA.

It is reported by the *Asahi* that Japan insists upon the withdrawal of Russia's proposals concerning the partition of Korea, and on her recognition of China's sovereignty in Manchuria.

PEACE RUMOURS DENIED.

UNWORTHY OF CONSIDERATION!

The leading Japanese papers are unanimous in their declarations that the rumours, which have been circulated regarding a peaceful solution to the present crisis, are unworthy of consideration.

THE PREMIER CONVALESCENT.

RETURNS TO HIS OFFICIAL RESIDENCE.

General Viscount Taro Katsura, the Japanese Premier, who has been too unwell to leave his house for several weeks, is now convalescent and has returned to his official residence at Tokio.

Russo-Chinese Bank Burned

AT TIENTSIN.

(From Our Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, 21st Jan., 4.57 p.m.

The new Russo-Chinese bank building at Tientsin was destroyed by fire yesterday evening. It was unoccupied at the time.

The premises were insured for Tls. 80,000.

[The new bank, which has been destroyed, held a very prominent position in the Settlement and was immediately opposite the recently finished building for the Yokohama Specie Bank. It was an elaborate building chiefly of granite, and was not expected to be finished until about July of this year.]

This wire reached our offices too late last evening for insertion in our yesterday's issue. —Ed. H.K.T.]

SHIPPING AND MAILS.

MAILS DUE.

Australian (*Empire*) 24th inst.
French (*Yarra*) 25th inst.
Indian (*Kumrang*) 26th inst.
Indian (*Sulsang*) 3rd prox.
American (*Siberia*) 4th prox.
Tacoma (*Tacoma*) 11th prox.
American (*Coptic*) 12th prox.

The E. & A. s.s. *Empire* left Manila yesterday, and is due here on Sunday, at daylight.

The M. M. Co's s.s. *Yarra*, with the next French Mail, will leave Saigon on 3rd inst., at 4 p.m., for this port.

The C. P. R. Co's s.s. *Empress of China* arrived at Kobe at 9.30 a.m., on 19th inst., and left again at 12.30 p.m., Wednesday, for Yokohama where she is due to arrive at 1 p.m., on 21st inst.

THE Beer to drink in the tropics is the Beer made in the tropics—SAN MIGUEL.

TELEGRAMS.

(Rintar's)

The Japanese Cruisers en route to the Far East.

LONDON, 20th January.
The Japanese cruisers *Kasuga* and *Nishin* have passed Perim bound to Colombo.

Cricket.

Australia won the third test match by 216 runs.

Mr. Chamberlain.

Mr. Chamberlain received a great ovation yesterday at the Guildhall, which was crammed with Peers, Commoners and the leading bankers and merchants.

LATER.

Russia War Ships en route.

The Russian cruiser *Aurora*, the transport *Orel*, the collier *Saratoff* and nine destroyers are in the Canal.

The cruiser *Kubanele* remains at Port Said.

Another Japanese Note to Russia.

The *Times* correspondent at Peking wires that Japan has sent another note to Russia, stronger than the preceding one, in which she refuses to accept the mediation of a third Power and insists on the acceptance of her reasonable demands, failing which she will take necessary measures to protect her interests.

(Far Eastern Press Association.)

The Crisis.

Berlin, 18th January.

The emperor has opened the Prussian diet with a characteristic speech dealing with foreign affairs including the Far Eastern question. He intimated that Germany would maintain neutrality in the event of war between Russia and Japan.

Czar For Peace.

Port Arthur, 18th January.

Viceroy Alexieff has declared that it is the Czar's will that he exert every possible and honourable effort to preserve peace in the Far East.

Advices from St. Petersburg are that the powers urge Japan to maintain the same policy it insisted on with reference to Manchuria and Korea prior to the complications which have recently arisen in the negotiations with Russia; in other words, Japan is advised to insist upon its rights in Manchuria and the absolute domination over Korean affairs.

Several steamship services between Japan and foreign ports have been suspended by subsidized companies at the order of the government. As a consequence twenty-five more vessels are at the disposal of the government for use as army transports should there be war between Russia and Japan.

Fiscal Policy.

London, 18th January.

Election returns in the campaign by Mr. Chamberlain on his protective tariff proposition show that he has lost the County of Norwich.

Wu Ting Fang.

Peking, 16th January.

Wu Ting Fang, the famous Chinese diplomat, has been appointed vice-president of the foreign office by the Empress Dowager.

CRICKET.

INTERESTING MATCH.

A match will be played to-morrow, commencing at 11.30 a.m., between teams representing Public Schools and Universities and The Rest. The following will play for the Public Schools:—R. Hancock, H. Hancock, W. C. D. Turner, T. Sercombe Smith, Lieut. Gouldsmith, R.N., Surgenn Horley, R.N., A. G. Ward, Goldsmith, R.N., Rev. Phillips, R.N., Lieut. Heath, R.N., Lieut. Piper. Reserves: Biggs and Jordan.

The Rest will be represented by T. E. Pearce, J. Woodgate, Lt. Gibson, R.N., A. Mackenzie, A. Wilson, R.N., Lt. Barron, R.N., E. W. Maitland, H. Q. Rademacker, R.N., Sheffield, R.N., Lt. Howard, R.N., Lt. Greenstock, R.N.R. Reserves: Oxlade and Morris.

The following will represent Cravenrower C. C. in their match with the R. E. to-morrow at 2.15 p.m. on the ground of the former: A. O. Braw, L. E. Lammer, J. D. Kinnaird, L. A. Rose, J. P. Jordan, J. Craik, E. R. Herton, R. Bass, E. Ford, J. L. Stuart, and R. Pestonjee.

LEAGUE TABLE.

Clubs. Played. Won. Lost. Drawn. Points.

A. O. C. 9 1 0 27

Civil Service 8 6 1 19

Cravenrower 9 4 3 14

R. E. 7 4 3 12

H.M.S. Tamar 2 4 0 6

H.K.C.C.A. 7 2 5 6

R. A. M. C. 7 1 5 4

Parsees 6 0 6 0

3 points for a win.
1 " a draw.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE.

We have received the following notification from the Acting Colonial Secretary:—

All proposals of candidates for the Nobel Peace Prize, which is to be distributed December 10, 1904, must, in order to be taken into consideration, be laid before the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament by a duly qualified person before the first February of the same year.

Any one of the following persons is held to be duly qualified: (a) Members of the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament; (b) Members of Parliament and Members of Government of the different States; (c) Members of the Interparliamentary Council; (d) Members of the Commission of the International Peace Bureau; (e) Members of the Institute of International Law; (f) University professors of Political Science and of Law, of History and

of Philosophy; and (g) persons who have received the Nobel Peace Prize.

The Nobel Peace Prize may also be accorded to institutions or associations. According to which any proposal is made must be stated, and handed in along with such papers and other documents as may therein be referred to. According to § 3, every written work, to qualify for a prize, must have appeared in print. For particulars, qualified persons are requested to apply to the office of the Nobel Committee of the Norwegian Parliament, Victoria Terrace 4, Kristia ia.

FIRE IN HONGKONG.

HOUSE GUTTED AT SEYMOUR TERRACE.

Members of the Fire Brigade had a difficult task before them in the early hours of this morning when a telephone message, received at the Central Station, notified them of an outbreak on the upper level. Further inquiry revealed the fact that a house was burning in Seymour Terrace, Upper Seymour Road, and the men at once commenced hauling their appliances up the steep streets leading from their headquarters. Hose reels, a fire escape and ladders were quickly transported to the scene of the outbreak, which was located at 12 Seymour Terrace, a two-story house, owned by a comrade to a local shipping firm. It seems that shortly after half-past one this morning an Indian constable on duty in Seymour Road saw flames and smoke issuing from the house, and he immediately raised the alarm by blowing his whistle. P. C. Robinson, No. 85, heard the call and hastened to the burning house which, by this time, was well alight in the basement. Before calling the brigade he went to No. 13, occupied by Mr. W. Weill, and succeeded in rousing the inmates. Almost simultaneously with that alarm Mr. A. P. Goodwin was awakened by dense smoke penetrating his room on the first floor of No. 13. He jumped up and opened the windows leading on to the verandah, and noticed two Chinamen running away by the side passage leading from the burning building. He then assisted in getting the inmates of the house to a place of safety and shortly afterwards the members of the brigade appeared on the scene in charge of Chief Inspector Baker and Sergt. MacDonald. It was some time, however, before they were enabled to bring the hoses to bear on the flames, and when at last pressure was put on the mains the water was kept on for only about a quarter of an hour. Meanwhile the floating engine, moored off the Harbour Master's office, had been warned, and the men in charge were ordered to steam to the Praya in front of Queen Victoria Street. Long lengths of hose were quickly joined and run along that thoroughfare, through Queen's Road and up Graham Street into Causeway Road, from where it was laid up Lower Castle Road and into Seymour Terrace. A copious supply of water from the harbour was poured on to the flames for a short time, but the pressure was so high, having regard to the distance and steep gradient over which it had to be pumped, that the hoses burst and again handicapped the firemen in their work. A telephonic message was immediately sent to have the fresh water in the mains turned on, and when this was done the brigade were more efficiently able to cope with the fire. When they first arrived the flames had gained a complete hold of the building, and the men directed their attention to the adjoining houses which were in danger of becoming ignited. Fortunately, there was no wind blowing at the time or the whole terrace would probably have been destroyed. The official "stop" order was not issued until about six o'clock this morning when only the blackened walls of the house remained standing. The fire, however, had been mastered by about four o'clock. The late tenant of the building died a few days ago, and the house was occupied, at the time of the outbreak, by his young son and only a few servants. The cause of the outbreak is at present unknown, but strict inquiries are being made into the matter. Particulars regarding the insurance of the building were, at the time of writing, not forthcoming.

THE MEDICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY IN CHINA.

SIXTY-FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The sixty-fifth annual meeting of this society was held at Canton in the College amphitheatre adjoining the Hospital, on January 20th. There were present:—Rev. E. Z. Simmons, D.D., senior Vice-President, in the chair; Hon. Robert M. McWade, United States Consul General, E. Wyon, Esq., P. T. Allen, Esq., Rankin Leslie, Esq., Dr. W. D. Shelby, J. N. Anderson, Esq., Rev. Messrs. C. A. Nelson, S. G. Tope, H. E. Anderson, R. E. Chambers, W. D. Noyes, H. V. Noyes, D.D., H. Keall, E. Dewstoe, A. J. Fisher, J. J. Boggs, W. W. Clayton, H. J. Von Quillin, Paul J. Todd, M.D., Dr. So To Ming, Dr. Nye Sik Pang, and J. M. Swan, M.D.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. H. E. Anderson, after which the notice convening the meeting was read by the Secretary.

Mr. Allen, Mr. Leslie, Dr. Shelby, and Mr. Anderson were asked to sit as corresponding members.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were presented as published in the annual report, and approved as read.

The financial reports of the Hospital and of the Treasurer, duly audited, were presented and approved, the following abstract, being read by the secretary, viz:—

ABSTRACT OF THE HOSPITAL FINANCIAL REPORT.

1903.

Jan. 1st. Cash on hand, \$335.49

Dec. 31st. 816 of well-drilling machinery, 562.75

Net hospital receipts, 9,317.85

Cash received from Treasurer M. M. S., 3,000.00

\$13,216.10

Expenditure.

Dec. 31st. Current hospital expenses, \$10,217.43

Special expenditures, 2,730.00

Cash on hand, 273.64

\$13,216.10

ABSTRACT OF M. M. SOCIETY TREASURER'S ACCOUNT.

1903.

Jan. 1st. Balance brought forward, \$3,568.15

Dec. 31st. Donations for 1903, 3,287.00

Property account, 1,270.00

Bank interest, 134.77

\$7,259.92

Expenditure.

Dec. 31st. Paid Chairman's orders, \$3,000.00

Property account, 1,270.00

Loss in weight, &c., 4.05

Balance carried down, 3,985.87

\$7,259.92

The Surgeon's annual report of the Hospital work was presented, the following abstract being read by the secretary:—

ABSTRACT OF THE HOSPITAL REPORT.

The Hospital work has been continued without interruption during the past year and, while presenting interesting features and showing progress, much of the work has been routine in character. The attendance at the Hospital has been large and a greater number of major operations performed than usual.

The initiation of a new water supply and the erection of the College building brought added duty and responsibility to the physicians who find their time more than filled with the increasing demands of the work as a whole.

A hospital store room has been established within the past year in which all supplies are inventoried. Everything from this room is given out by any order signed by one of the physicians. The application of this system has resulted in a considerable saving in current expenditure and made more convenient the storage of clothing, bedding, and removal of supplies.

During the year the Medical College building has been completed and is now one of the landmarks of Canton. The dimensions are 83 feet in length by 49 feet in width and 75 feet to the top of Observatory. Red brick and the best material throughout have been used and the building is well suited to the purposes of the College. The College prospectus recently issued gives details of this department of the Society's work. We improve this opportunity of expressing our hearty thanks to those who have aided in establishing the College. While much yet remains to be accomplished, it is an earnest of things to come that special donations to the extent of nearly \$17,000, from local sources only have been made to the College.

As heretofore, the evangelistic work has continued to be a prominent feature and none more faithful to their profession of Christianity will be found than those who have been patients in the hospital. In this report due recognition will be given the fact that this year completes a half century of continuous management of the hospital work by physicians supplied by the American Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions. During this time about 700,000 patients have been treated and within the last five years alone 10,671 surgical operations have been performed. About 24,000 out-patients and nearly 3,000 in-patients are now treated annually. Beginning in 1835 the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions and later the London Missionary Society rendered noble service through their physicians in establishing the Medical Missionary Society's work, a work the effect and extent of which, by the blessing of God, has been felt throughout this Empire. All honour be to those who through peace and war, storm and sunshine, stood true to the purposes of this first and oldest organization of its kind in modern times. The relation and services of the American Presbyterian Board have been fittingly referred to in a recently published article, a quotation from which will appear in the hospital report.

The following statistics are from a summary of the Hospital work:—

Out-patients (visits). In patients. Surgical operations.

Men..... 19,544 1,390 1,374

Women... 5,755 424 1,127

Total... 25,299 1,814 2,501

JOHN M. SWAN, M.D., PAUL J. TODD, M.D., Physicians and Surgeons.

On motion, the Hospital report as presented was approved and the usual number ordered printed in English and Chinese.

The following report of the Managing Committee was presented by the Committee's Secretary, Rev. S. G. Tope.

REPORT OF THE MANAGING COMMITTEE FOR THE YEAR 1903.

The business coming before your committee during the past year has been of the usual character and we are pleased to report that the hospital has had a prosperous year. The attendance has been good and there has been no interruption in this work which for so many years has brought relief and comfort to the Chinese.

The college building has been completed in a substantial manner and the prospects are that this department has a future of great usefulness. The College prospectus recently issued has been presented to us and received our endorsement. The new water supply has been completed and is a great boon to the hospital.

Recent inspection shows the hospital buildings to be clean and in a good state of repair. No large expenditure for their upkeep is anticipated for the coming year.

An exceptional opportunity occurred to purchase a shop adjoining the East side of the premises at an unusually low figure and as more room is needed for the growing work of the Hospital your committee have made the purchase and placed this item of expenditure in the current account for the year.

Improvements in the sanitary condition of the hospital, as well as enlargement of equip-

ment have helped to make the work as a whole more efficient.

We recommend the following estimates for the year 1904:—

Hospital current expenses \$5,000

Repairs and improvement 800

Foreign drugs and supplies 3,000

Printing books, and stationery 8.0

Foreign library 10.0

Special furniture 200

\$9,900

E. Z. SIMMONS, Chairman.

On motion, this report was accepted and approved and the estimates as presented for the current year, authorized.

The report of the Society's College Organization Committee was then presented, which is as follows:—

The principal work of your committee during the past year has been to secure funds for the College and attend to the erection of the college building now completed, and we are happy to say, paid for.

In response to many inquiries made by the Chinese a prospectus has been issued setting forth the proposed work of the institution, its requirements, and its needs.

More funds are needed in order to develop this work and we trust those interested in establishing the College will not fail to do all they can to carry this work to completion.

A change in the trusteeship of the organization committee just at this time makes a detailed account of receipts and expenditures impracticable, but we submit herewith an abstract of the College accounts showing the approximate state of our finances. It is as follows:—

Dr.

To received special donations and subscriptions, \$16,410.00

Uncollected subscriptions, 468.71

\$16,878.71

Cr.

By paid cost of College building, \$16,178.75

By paid 100 Assembly (tablet arm) chairs, 575.00

By paid Elevator, 235.86

\$16,989.61

ROBERT M. MCWADE, Chairman.

On motion, this report was accepted and the Committee continued. The Committee were congratulated on the work they had accomplished and the fine appearance of the College building in which the Society now met.

THE LATE HON. CHAS. SEYMOUR.

On motion of Rev. H. V. Noyes, D.D., the following resolutions in regard to the death of the Hon. Charles Seymour were adopted.

Resolved:—(1) That we have learned with deep regret, since our last meeting and at the advanced age of more than eighty years, of the death of the Hon. Charles Seymour, formerly United States Consul at Canton, and for many years a Vice-President of the Medical Missionary Society.

(2) That we desire to place on record our recognition of the valuable services which he rendered to this Society, by the personal interest he took in its welfare, by his efforts to awaken a like interest on the part of others, by securing, year by year, liberal donations for its support, and by frequently presiding at its meetings.

(3) That we express our high appreciation of his character as a man—one of Nature's noblemen—dispensing a generous hospitality in his own home; so genial that his presence was always welcome at social gatherings; such an able speaker that he was even in demand on public occasions; of such sterling integrity in official life and such honesty of purpose that his countrymen all felt that their interests were safe in his hands; of such high moral principle that he won the esteem of all, not only of the foreign community but of the Chinese, and his example continually an influence for good. Though he has been absent for years we cherish his memory still.

(4) That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his family.

The Board of Officers for the ensuing year was constituted as follows: President—Rev. R. H. Graves, M.D., D.D.

Vice-President—Rev. H. V. Noyes, D.D., Rev. E. Z. Simmons, D.D., Rev. C. Bone, Rev. S. G. Tope, Hon. Robert Shewan, Hon. Robert M. McWade, U.S. Consul General, Acting H.B.M. Consul C. W. Campbell, Dr. Eiswaldt, Consul for Germany.

In the United States, T. B. Cunningham, Esq. In England, James Scott, Esq., Sir Thomas Jackson.

In Europe, G. D. Fearon, Esq. In Germany, Dr. Lang.

Treasurer: Edwin A. Stanton, Esq. Secretary: John M. Swan, M.D.

Auditor: Rankin Leslie, Esq. Managing Committee: John M. Swan, M.D., E. Wyon, Esq., Rev. S. G. Tope, Rev. E. Z. Simmons, D.D., and Rankin Leslie, Esq.

On motion, the following resolution was passed:—

Resolved:—That in tendering our thanks to the College Organization Committee we recognize with grateful appreciation the interest and valuable aid rendered by our Committee's Chairman, Hon. Robert M. McWade, U.S. Consul General. In addition to a gift to the College of 100 elegant chairs for the College Amphitheatre, costing nearly \$600, Mr. McWade has secured many valuable contributions and done much to establish this work. We therefore express to him our hearty thanks for his energetic assistance and aid.

A vote of thanks was accorded Mr. E. A. Stanton for his services as treasurer of the Society.

To Mr. Rankin Leslie for his careful audit of the Society's accounts.

There being no further business, on motion, the meeting adjourned after being led in prayer by Rev. William Noyes.

E. Z. SIMMONS, Chairman.

JOHN M. SWAN, Secretary.

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S INTELLIGENCE.

To-day's Quotations closed as follows:—
Banks .. \$560 s. 62.10
Nationals .. \$ 35 b.
Unions .. \$490 s.
China Traders .. \$ 56 s.
Cantons .. \$175 s.
Hongkong Fires .. \$300 sa.
China Fire .. \$ 93 s.
Macao Steamboats .. \$ 304 b.
Indos .. \$ 72 s.
China Manilas .. \$ 16 sa. and b.
Douglas .. \$ 30
Suyars .. \$102 sa.
Shells .. \$ 11 s.
Docks .. \$209 b.
Kowloon Wharfs .. \$ 95 s.
Farmhams .. \$123 b.
Hongkong Lands .. \$157 s.
Kowloon Lands .. \$ 35 ex. div.
West Points .. \$ 56 b.
Hotels .. \$147 s.
Humphreys Estates .. \$112 b.
Do. (new) .. \$ 255 b.
Cements .. \$ 25 s.
Watsons .. \$ 14 s.
Penwicks .. \$ 50 sa.
Ices .. \$217 s.
Watkins .. \$ 72 b.
Powells .. \$ 9.40 b.
Providents .. \$ 9 ex. div.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.
London—Bank T.T. 1/9 1/2
Do. demand .. 1/9 1/2
Do. 4 months' sight .. 1/10 1/16
France—Bank T.T. 2/28
America—Bank T.T. 44
Germany—Bank T.T. 1.85
India T.T. 134
Do. demand .. 134
Shanghai—Bank T.T. Nominal
Japan—Bank T.T. Nominal
Singapore—Bank T.T. Nominal
Java—Bank T.T. Nominal

Buying.
4 months' sight L/C. 1/10 3/16
6 months' sight L/C. 1/10 5/16
30 days' sight San Francisco & New York 44
1 months' sight do. 45
30 days' sight Sydney and Melbourne 1/10 7/16
4 months' sight France .. 2.32
6 months' sight .. 2.13
4 months' sight Germany .. 1.80
Bar Silver .. 202
Bank of England rate .. 4 %

OPINION QUOTATIONS.

To-day's quotations are as follows:—
Per chest
Malwa New .. 920/960
" Last Year .. 980/1,040
" Oldest .. 1,000/1,100
Patna New .. 1,290
Benares New .. 1,290
Persian (Paper) .. 920/950

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FROM	STEAMERS	DUE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 26th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 30th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 3rd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 7th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 10th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 14th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MENELAUS"	On 17th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"RHIPUS"	On 21st February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 24th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 28th March.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
LONDON & ANTWERP	"NESTOR"	On 5th February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 10th February.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd February.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"PAKLING"	On 20th March.
LONDON & ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 29th March.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

PORTLAND, OREGON,

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH

THE OREGON RAILROAD AND NAVIGATION COMPANY.

Steamship	Tons	Captain	To Sail
"INDRAVELLI"	4,899	R. P. Craven	Jan. 30, 1904.
"INDRAPURA"	4,899	A. E. Hollingsworth	Feb. 13, "
"INDRASAMHA"	5,197	W. E. Craven	Mar. 15, "

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Steamship.	Captain.	Tons.	Sailing Date.
ROHILLA MARU	Ernest Bent	2,869	WEDNESDAY, 27th January, at 11 A.M.
ROSETTA MARU	H. S. Smith	2,876	TUESDAY, 2nd February, at 11 A.M.

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1904.

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Hongkong, 30th May, 1903.

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Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

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THE Steamship

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Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 26th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

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Agents.

Hongkong, 21st January, 1904.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamship

"C. FERD. LAIESZ,"

Captain Sachs, will be despatched for the above Ports, on TUESDAY, the 26th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE,

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

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FOR SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"YARRA,"

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For Freight or Passage, apply to

G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

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Hongkong, 19th January, 1904.

"SHIRE" LINE.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, ANTWERP AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"

Captain C. H. Burch, on or about SATURDAY, the 30th January, 1904.

These Steamers have Superior Accommodation for Passengers.

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Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904.

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FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship

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Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR AMOY, SWATOW, STRAITS AND RANGOON.

THE Company's Steamship

"JELUNGA,"

Captain Windebank, will be despatched as above TO-MORROW, the 22nd instant, at 2 P.M.

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1904.

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1904. About

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"SAGAM" 6th Feb.

"AFRIDI" To follow.

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Hongkong, 20th January, 1904.

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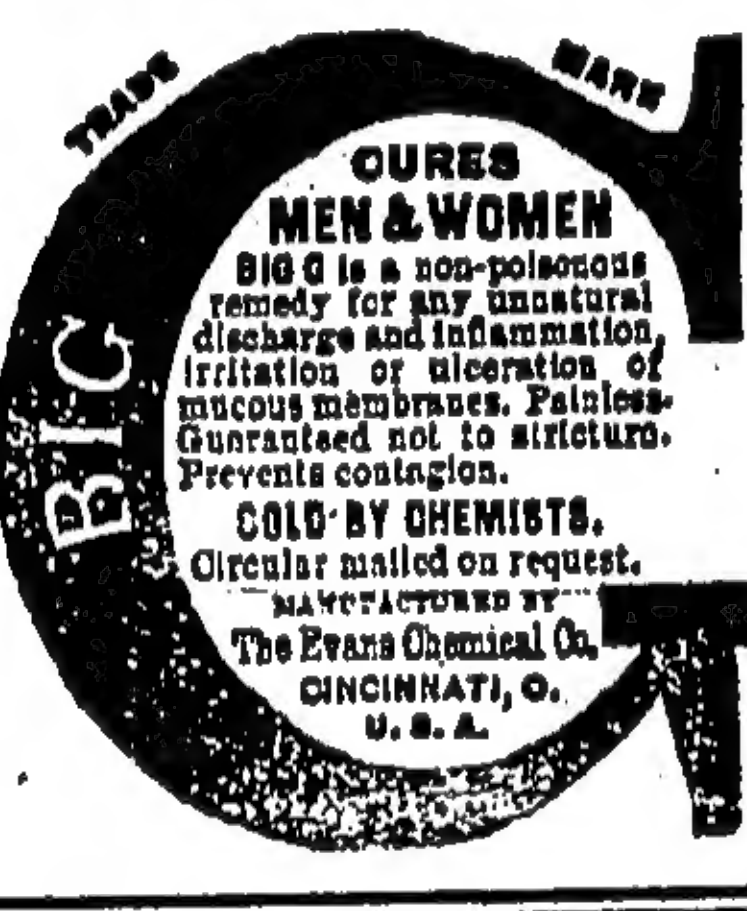
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Hongkong, 22nd April, 1898.



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Beefsteak and prime cut—Mei Lung Pa 17

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Roast—Shiu 17

Breast—Ngau Lam 13

Soup, Tong Yuk 13

Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa 17

Serjion—Ngau Lau 26

Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung 16

Bullock's Brains—Know 8

Tongue fresh—Ngau Li 45

Corned—Ham Ngau Li 55

Head—Ngau Tau 9

Heart—Ngau Sum 13

Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin 8

Feet—Ngau Kerk 8

Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 10

Tail—Ngau Mei 16

Liver—Ngau Con 9

Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 5

Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau Chai 75

tau-keok—Eai Kw 24

Mutton Chop—Yeung Fai 24

Leg—Yeung Fai 24

Shoulder—Yeung Shau 24

Pigs' Chittlings—Chi cheong 7

Brains—Chi Kwau 12

Feet—Chi Kerk 12

Fat—Chi Chak 12

Head—Chi Tau 13

Heart—Chi Sum 13

Kidneys—Chi Yiu 13

Liver—Chi Con 13

Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwat 18

Corned—Ham Chai Yuk 18

Leg—Chu Fai 22

Fat or Lard—Chu Yau 18

Sheeps' Head and Feet—Yeung Tau 55

Keok—Yeung Sum 6

Kidneys—Yeung Yiu 6

Liver—Yeung Con 6

Sucking Pigs, To Order—Chu Chai 10

Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau 17

Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau 30

Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 18

Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong 15

Chicken—Kai Chai 25

Capons, Large, Small—Sin Kai 20

Ducks—Ap 20

Doves—Pan Kau 14

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan 21

Fowls, Canton—Kai 23

Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai 23

Geese—Ngai 21

Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye 21

Goose—Wong Keng 35

Hare—Tu Chai 60

Partridge—Che Khoo 55

Pheasant—Shan Kai 145

Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kup 20

Holhoo—Holhoo Pak Kup 26

Quail—Yui Chai 26

Rice Birds—Wo Ye Chai 26

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"JELUNGA,"

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Shipping.

Arrivals.
 Tainan, Br. s.s. 2,313, Lindbergh, 22nd Jan.—
 Manila 19th Jan. Gen.—J. & Co.
 Michael Jensen, Ger. s.s. 710, Uldrup, 22nd Jan.—
 Haiphong 18th Jan. and Hoihow 20th, Rice and Gen.—J. & Co.
 Robilla Maru, Jap. s.s. 2,399, Rent, 21st Jan.—
 Manila 19th Jan. Gen.—T. K. K.
 Choyang, Br. s.s. 1,124, Roope, 21st Jan.—
 Canton 20th Jan. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Thales, Br. s.s. 819, Robson, 22nd Jan.—
 Foochow 19th Jan. Amoy 20th, and Swatow 21st, Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Daijin Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,376, Ogata, 22nd Jan.—
 Tamsui 19th Jan. Amoy 21st, and Swatow 21st, Gen.—O. S. K.
 Loksang, Br. s.s. 987, Johns, 22nd Jan.—
 Wuhu and Chinkiang 17th Jan. Rice, Ground-nuts and Oil.—J. M. & Co.
 Wosang, Br. s.s. 1,127, Malkin, 22nd Jan.—
 Canton 21st Jan. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

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 Cheongcheu, for Amoy.
 Ika Verde, for Macao.
 Lokang, for Canton.
 Wo Ping, for Wuchow.
 Wingcheu, for Macao.
 Loongang, for Manila.
 Wosang, for Swatow.
 Choyang, for Shanghai.
 Lienshing, for Shanghai.
 Sithonia, for Shanghai.
 Paknam, for Bangkok.
 Mackew, for Hoihow.

Departures.

Departures.
 Jan. 21.
 Hanyang, for Shanghai.
 Shint Maru, for Kobe.
 Shihon, for Swatow.
 Mackew, for Swatow.
 Wyner, for Hoihow.
 Paknam, for Bangkok.
 Sackuen, for Canton.
 Hunan, for Canton.
 Yehow, for Shanghai.
 Loongmoon, for Shanghai.
 Cheongcheu, for Amoy.
 Loongang, for Manila.
 Lienshing, for Shanghai.
 Choyang, for Shanghai.

Passengers arrived.

Passengers arrived.
 Per Thales, from Coast Ports.—Mr. T. W. Jose Girth, and 71 Chinese.
 Per Tainan, from Manila.—Lient. Bumbury, Messrs. Peter F. Wall, Ernest Israel, G. H. Fuller and servant, A. Arnold, Mrs. Entroppe and children, and Mr. Arminge. From Port Darwin.—Messrs. Abrams, Hamilton, Lone, and Mrs. Loni Yen and child. Messrs. Chan Ah San, Hock Kee, Fook Tai, Lau Hong, Fong Man Kee, Quong Wah, Layama, Sourin, Yamoka, Kato, Kamaguchi, Kuri, Ah Sing, Chow Choon, Low On Sing, Lun Or, 6 Hindoes, and 87 Chinese.

Passengers departed.

Passengers departed.
 Per Sunghing, for Manila.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Beardsley, Master W. D. Beardsley, Mrs. Waters, Messrs. J. T. Craft, M. A. Mont, W. Perkins, L. W. Graham, C. E. Wo druff, C. H. Goodwin, J. C. Hieschen, J. J. Wagner, F. Morgan, E. Clarke, A. C. Champollion, F. Nells, O. Hancock, J. G. Marino and C. J. Niebuhr.
 Per Loongang, for Manila.—Messrs. Anthony Brong, L. A. Lovering, S. J. Harris, C. P. Foot, Mr. and Mrs. M. Stott, Mrs. P. C. Steens, Miss N. C. Stevens, M. B. Cummings, Miss Juanita de la Cruz, Messrs. Thomas Crane, D. W. Clifford, Chao Wu, Dy Jao Po, Cua Bun and Ong Piao.

Shipping Reports.

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 Str. Thales from Foochow.—Fresh to moderate monsoon, and fine clear weather.
 Str. Tainan from Australian ports.—Unsettled weather throughout voyage, heavy rain on Australian coast improving during voyage, moderate N.E. gale and high seas from Manila.

Steamers Expected.

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Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Indravelli	Japan	P. & A. Co.	Jan. 23
C. Ferd. Laeiz	Singapore	H. A. L.	Jan. 23
Ajax	Singapore	H. A. L.	Jan. 23
Empire	Manila	G. L. & Co.	Jan. 24
Lothian	Manila	G. L. & Co.	Jan. 24
Yarra	Singapore	M. M.	Jan. 26
Kumsang	Singapore	M. M.	Jan. 26
Tamba Maru	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Jan. 26
Socotra	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Jan. 26
Suiyang	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	Jan. 26
Indrapura	Portland	P. & A. Co.	Feb. 3
Siberia	San Francisco	P. & A. Co.	Feb. 3
Tacoma	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Feb. 11
Coptic	San Francisco	O. & O. Co.	Feb. 12

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Nanning	at Kowloon	Dock	
Germania	"	"	
Ellen Rickmers	"	"	
U.S.A.T. Liscum	"	"	
H.M.S. Hart	"	"	
Peda	"	"	
Kansu	"	"	
Tatar	"	"	
H.I.G.M.S. Moewu	"	"	
H.M.S. Glory	"	"	
U.S.A.T. Sacramento	"	"	
Vigilant	"	"	
Cuthil	Cosmopolitan	"	
Triton	"	"	
C. Hardoun	"	"	
Paul Beau	"	"	
Machew	"	"	
Dorothea Rickmers	"	"	
Palgrave	Aberdeen	"	

Ships Passed The Canal.

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 Jan. 21.—29th December.—*Merionethshire*, *Benlue*, *Scotia*, *Moamouthshire*, *Chinku*, *Ger.*, *Konigberg*, *C. Ferd. Laeiz*, 2nd January.—*Hitachi Maru*, *Yarra*, *Moeyne*, *Arctika*, 6th January.—*Andalusia*, *Glaucus*, *Indramayu*, *Volga*, 9th January.—*Dumora*, *Borneo*, 13th January.—*Formosa*, *Silvia*, *Indraguati*, *Fulme*, *Linn*, *Silvia*, *Seydlitz*, 16th January.—*Australen*, *Luaba Maru*, *Eidsvold*, *Stettin*, 20th January.—*Sambla*.
 Home war.—13th January.—*Kawachi Maru* 16th January.—*Achilles*, *Konig Albert*, *Marburg*.
 Arrivals at Home.—2nd January.—*Saxonia*, *Tantalus*, *Freiburg*, 6th January.—*Sydney*, *Sado Maru*, 9th January.—*Irishuel*, *Ningchow*, *Polypemus*, 13th January.—*Antenor*, *Kurdistan*, *Armand Ichik*, 16th January.—*Prins Heinrich*, 20th January.—*Glenshiel*, *Seneca*, *Hyson*, *Suevia*.

Vessels in Port.

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STEAMERS.
 An Pho, Br. s.s. 902, Kynoch, 21st Jan.—
 Saigon 16th Jan. Rice.—J. & Co.
 Anping Maru, Jap. s.s. 1,052, Goto, 21st Jan.—
 Foochow via Amoy and Swatow 19th Jan. Gen.—O. S. K.
 Athenian, Br. s.s. 2,440, Robinson, 13th Jan.—
 Vancouver, B.C. 14th Dec. and Shanghai 10th Jan. Flour and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Charles Hardoun, Fr. s.s. 876, Laurage, 15th Jan.—
 Nantes 15th Nov. and Singapore 3rd Jan. Ballast.—M. M.
 Chihli, Br. s.s. 1,142, Tuebben, 16th Jan.—
 Canton 16th Jan. Gen.—B. & S.
 Claverburn, Br. s.s. 2,358, Parker, R.N.R., 27th Dec.—
 New York 27th Oct. Case Oil.—S. O. Co.
 Director Arthur Barty, Ger. s.s. 1,16, Edler, 7th Jan.—
 Emden Germany 21 Oct. Ballast.—J. & Co.
 Dacic, Br. s.s. 4,975, Smith, R.N.R., 19th Jan.—
 San Francisco and Shanghai 16th Jan. Mails and Gen.—O. S. S. Co.
 Doro hea Rickmers, Ger. s.s. 1,021, Schaefer, 13th Jan.—
 Bangkok 4th Jan. Rice.—Order.
 Edendale, Br. s.s. 771, Moss, 21st Jan.—
 Sourabaya 9th Jan. Sugar.—A. R. M.
 Emma, Ger. s.s. 1,651, Ziegenmeyer, 19th Jan.—
 Hamburg and Singapore 8th Jan. Gen. and Sugar.—S. W. & Co.
 Empress of India, Br. s.s. 3,003, Marshall, 19th Jan.—
 Vancouver 28th Dec. and Shanghai 17th Jan. Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Iyo Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,918, Cornow, 17th Jan.—
 Shanghai 14th Jan. Gen.—N. Y. K.
 Jelung, Br. s.s. 3,391, Windebank, 20th Jan.—
 Rangoon 8th Jan. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Lightning, Br. s.s. 2,122, Spence, 20th Jan.—
 Calcutta 31st Dec. Penang and Singapore 13th Jan. Gen.—D. S. & Co., Ltd.
 Liscum, Am. transport, 1,072, Healey, 16th Jan.—
 Manila 13th Jan. Ballast.—U. S. Govt.
 Loosok, Ger. s.s. 1,000, Leuss, 21st Jan.—
 Bangkok and Anghin 13th Jan. Rice.—B. & S.
 Lyrin, Ger. s.s. 1,315, Porcelens, 5th Jan.—
 Hamburg 22nd Nov. Marine Stores.—H. A. L.
 M. S. Dollar, Br. s.s. 4,316, Gow, 11th Jan.—
 Moji 6th Jan. Coal.—S. F. & Co.
 Mongkut, Ger. s.s. 859, Gutsche, 21st Jan.—
 Bangkok 13th Jan. Rice.—M. & Co.
 Quarta, Ger. s.s. 1,146, Johansen, 29th Dec.—
 Mauritius 4th Dec. Sugar.—S. W. & Co.
 Rein, Norw. s.s. 725, Olsen, 17th Jan.—
 Bangkok 7th Jan. Rice.—Kin Yee Long.
 Rub, Br. s.s. 1,611, Almond, 18th Jan.—
 Manila 10th Jan. Hemp.—S. T. & Co.
 Sithonia, Ger. s.s. 4,239, Hildebrandt, 21st Jan.—
 Singapore 14th Jan. Gen.—H. A. L.
 Taisang, Br. s.s. 1,544, Bradley, 20th Jan.—
 Canton 19th Jan. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Taitan, Br. s.s. 2,599, Dawson, 20th Jan.—
 Japan Ports 14th Jan. Gen.—B. & S.
 Tartar, Br. s.s. 4,425, Evans, 16th Dec.—
 Vancouver 16th Nov. and Shanghai 13th Dec.—C. P. R. Co.
 Triton, Ger. s.s. 1,033, Kraef, 15th Jan.—
 Saigon 10th Jan. Gen.—S. & Co.
 Tsurugisima Maru, Jap. s.s. 3,559, Narasaki, 2nd Jan.—
 Kutchinotzu 27th Dec. Coal.—M. B. K.

Post Office.

Post Office.
 A Mail will close for:—
 Canton.—Per *Hankow*, 23rd Jan. 7.30 A.M.
 Manila.—Per *Rubi*, 23rd Jan. 9 A.M.
 Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Tai-yuan*, 23rd Jan. 11 A.M.
 Amoy, Swatow, Straits and Rangoon.—Per *Jelung*, 23rd Jan. 1 P.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per *Thales*, 23rd Jan. 1 P.M.
 Macao.—Per *Huangshan*, 23rd Jan. 1.15 P.M.
 Shanghai.—Per *Taiwan*, 23rd Jan. 3 P.M.
 Kongmoon, Kamchuk and Samshui.—Per *Chungking*, 23rd Jan. 3 P.M.
 Nantao.—Per *Taiwan*, 23rd Jan. 5 P.M.
 Sanbu.—Per *Hoi Fu*, 23rd Jan. 5 P.M.
 Macao.—Per *Wingcheu*, 23rd Jan. 5 P.M.
 Hoihow and Haiphong.—Per *Michael Jensen*, 23rd Jan. 5 P.M.
 Swatow and Shanghai.—Per *Wosang*, 23rd Jan. 5 P.M.
 Shanghai, Yokohama and Kobe.—Per *Sithonia*, 24th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui.—Per *Daijin*, 24th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Kongmoon, Kamchuk and Samshui.—Per *See Yuh*, 24th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Nantao.—Per *Taiwan*, 24th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Sanbu.—Per *Hoi Fu*, 24th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Macao.—Per *Wingcheu*, 24th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.—Per *Anping Maru*, 25th Jan. 8 A.M.

Macao.—Per Huangshan, 25th Jan. 1.15 P.M.

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 Enripe, &c., India, via Tuncun.—Per *Polymeria*, 26th Jan. 11 A.M.
 Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.—Per *Lightning*, 26th Jan. 2 P.M.
 Kobe.—Per *Taiwan*, 26th Jan. 3 P.M.
 Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria, (B.C.) and Seattle (U.S.A.).—Per *Iyo Maru*, 26th Jan. 3 P.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe.—Per *C. Ferd. Laeiz*, 26th Jan. 4 P.M.
 Manila.—Per *Rohilla Maru*, 27th Jan. 10 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Athenian*, 27th Jan. 11 A.M.
 Manila.—Per *Kansu*, 27th Jan. 3 P.M.
 Manila.—Per *Yuenyang*, 27th Jan. 3 P.M.
 Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.—Per *Anhui*, 28th Jan. 3 P.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Honolulu and San Francisco.—Per *Doric*, 29th Jan. 11 A.M.
 Hoihow, Cebu and Sandakan.—Per *Hunan*, 29th Jan. 3 P.M.
 Manila.—Per *Zafra*, 30th Jan. 9 A.M.
 Europe, &c., India, via Tuncun.—Per *Sackten*, 3rd Feb. 11 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Vancouver, B.C.—Per *Empress of India*, 10th Feb. 11 A.M.

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 12 " " 2 " "
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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg, acting Director of the Hongkong Observatory:—
 On the 22nd at 11.30 a.m. The barometer has risen over E. Japan, and N. China. The depression is passing slowly away over the Pacific to the N.E. of Japan, and the anticyclone still covers China, the highest pressure lying over N. China.
 Gradients continue moderate to rather steep, with strong monsoon in the Formosa Channel and heavy monsoon over the China Sea.
 Forecast:—fresh N.E. winds; fine.

Barometer Jan. 22 at 10 a.m. 30.30
 Temperature 56
 Humidity 51
 Rainfall —

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

January 22nd, 1904, a.m.
 Bar. Th. Hu. Wind Wr.
 Vladivostok, 7 a.m. — — — —
 Nemuro, 6 a.m. 29.49 — W 8 —
 Hakodate, 5 a.m. 29.81 — W 6 —
 Tokyo, 5 a.m. 29.98 — N 6 —
 Koshi, 5 a.m. 30.15 — NW 2 —
 Nagasaki, 5 a.m. 30.23 — SE 2 —
 Kagoshima, 5 a.m. 30.27 — NE 2 —
 Oshima, 5 a.m. 30.24 — NW 4 —
 Naha, 5 a.m. 30.21 — N 6 —
 Ishigaki, 5 a.m. 30.21 — NE 6 —
 Taihoku, 5 a.m. 30.30 — E 4 —
 Taichu, 5 a.m. 30.18 — N 4 —
 Fainan, 5 a.m. 30.18 — N 4 —
 Koshu, 5 a.m. 30.15 — NE 2 —
 Pescadore, 5 a.m. 30.22 — NE 10 —
 Weihaiwei, 9 a.m. 30.51 20 — NW 3 —
 Gutzlaff, 9 a.m. 30.48 35 80 — NW 3 —
 Sharp Peak, 9 a.m. 30.38 49 78 — NW 1 —
 Swatow, 9 a.m. 30.33 56 — N 2 —
 Canoi, 9 a.m. 30.52 79 — N 3 —
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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Ltd.	\$ 125	Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8 = \$18 for half year ending 30.6.1903	\$650
National Bank of China, Ltd.	\$ 8	3/4 = \$ 90 for 1902	\$35 b.
Do. Founders.	£ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of C'lon, Ltd.	\$ 100	31 per cent = \$32 per share for 1902	\$490 a.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	16 % = \$4 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$56 s.
North China In. Co., Ltd.	£ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 69
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.	\$ 60	20 % = \$12 for 1901	\$135
Antion In. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	30 % = \$15 per share for 1902	\$175 s.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$22 per share for 1901	\$300 sa.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$6 per share for 1901	\$92 s.
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$14 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$31
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.	£ 10	5 % = 10/- per share for 1902	\$72
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	10 % = \$5 per share for 1900	\$16 sa. & b.
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$30 b.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending \$30	\$30
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 1	60 cts. 30/4/03	\$19
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1 1/- sa.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Limited.	Tls. 50	Interim of 1/2 for 1903	Tls. 36 s.
Do. Preference.	Tls. 50	Interim of 1/4 = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 sa.
		Interim of 3/4 = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 46 sa.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1903	\$103
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$3 per share for 1897	\$10 s.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	5 % = Tls. 24 for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 52 s.
MINING.			
Punjong Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 11	None	\$1 s.
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$6 s.
Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd.	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 25.10.03	Tls. 64 s.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	12 % = \$6 for 1/2 year 30.6.03	\$209 b.
S. C. Farnham, Hoyl & Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1/2 year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 123 sa.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Interim of \$24 for 1903	\$95
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 67	\$24 for 1902	\$38 s.
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 197 s.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	8 % = 80 cents per share for 1903	\$9 ex div.
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	Interim of \$6 for 1903	\$157
K'loon & Ltd Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$2.60 per share for 1903	\$35 ex div.
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	Interim of \$14 for 1903	\$56 b.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1/2 year 1903	\$147
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2 % for year ending 30.6.03	\$29 sa.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd. (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6 % for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 13 1/2
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	9 per cent. for 1902	\$114 sa.
Shai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	Interim of 6 % for 1903	Tls. 109 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for 1902/1903	\$154 b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 50	8 % for period ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 32 s.
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	Tls. 75	Interim of 3 % on account of 1898	Tls. 25 b.
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 1/2 on acct. of 1898	Tls. 37 1/2 sa.
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	4 % for period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170 sa.
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.	\$ 500	25 % for year ending 30.6.1900	\$200
Philippine Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	First year	\$10
Shanghai - Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 b.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12 % = \$1.20 per share for 1902	\$25
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 12	First year	\$84 b.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Interim of 5 % for 1903	\$14 1/2
Watkins, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd.	£ 10	10 % div. and 1 % bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$145 b.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	15 per cent = \$3.75 for 1902	\$50 sa.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	Interim of \$4 for 1903	\$240
Hongkong High-Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$20 for year ending 31.11.1903	\$300
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6	\$14 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$124 b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$24 for 1902	\$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.	£ 12.5.		\$5 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	90 cents } for year ending 31.5.03	\$94 b.
Do. Founders.	\$ 10	\$29.70 }	\$10 b.
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Final of 6 % making 12 % for year	\$152 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	None	\$5 s.
William Powell, Ltd.	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$940 b.
Maatschappij tot Mijn. Bosch en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	{ 5th interim dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid 15.12.1903 making so far Tls. 35 for the year ending 31.10.03	Tls. 295 sa.
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	First year	\$50
South China Morning Post, Ltd.	\$ 25	First year	\$25
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